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**Bravo Mauro!**

Internationally-established pianist Mauro Bertoli prepares for his performance as part of the Haliburton Concert Series at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton Sept. 9. The Italian-born Ottawa resident's performance included works by Grieg, Mendelssohn, Bach and Chopin. The final concert in this year's Haliburton Concert Series will be Ensemble Vivant, taking place on Oct. 28. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

**Most septic systems deemed 'low risk' in HE**

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Sept. 6 meeting of Highlands East council.

Student septic maintenance inspectors Adam Bird and Rob Carter, who began

inspecting septic systems on six lakes in Highlands East, completed their assignment on Aug. 25.

In total, 903 properties were visited on seven lakes – Little Glamor, Glamor, Billings, Stormy, Tamarack, Trooper and Koshlong. About 76 per cent of septic systems inspected were in the low risk category, 11 per cent were in the moderate risk category, eight per cent were high risk

and five per cent were very high risk.

A report from the students said the "[m]ajority of current system were in fine working order with just a few having moderate maintenance issues. Throughout the six lakes that were reinspected, about 40 steel tanks had been found to be still in use. Most of these tanks were corroded and posed a high health hazard to

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**Skate  
park gets  
ready  
to roll**

*Construction set to begin within a month on \$210,000 project*

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Construction is set to begin on the Haliburton Junction Skate Park close to the first week of October, said Dysart et al's recreation program co-ordinator Andrea Mueller.

"I think we're really excited and see that we finally reached our goal, having the skate park. It's something ... anybody ... can use, especially the youth in our community," she said.

Mueller said construction will take from four to six weeks to complete by Radius Contracting Incorporated, depending on the weather.

The original design has evolved to include elevation changes and has an enhanced flow.

"You can ride from one end to the other doing something, a trick or a feature with-

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# Lake associations driving force behind re-inspections

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the surrounding lakes."

Property owners with failing or inadequate systems were sent letters alerting them to the situation.

"Some homeowners were not even aware that they even had a filter bed to maintain, which resulted in it being overgrown and possibly nonfunctioning," read the report. "So just bringing awareness to these homeowners was enough to correct a lot of these moderate risk systems."

Laurie Devolin, chief building official, noted the program might be able to continue next year, with continued support from lake associations who she said were the driving force in establishing the septic maintenance program in the area.

## Herlihey Park dedication to be held Sept. 25

Herlihey Park, formerly known as the Wilberforce Veneer property, will be dedicated in a ceremony at 11 a.m. on Sept. 25. Carol and Karl Marcus, who helped acquire the seven acres of property bordering Dark (Pusey) Lake through a donation, are expected to attend. Everyone is welcome.

At an open house attended by about 25 members of the

public in July, ideas including a picnic area, lighted walking trail, swim area, parking, trees and a playground were among the top ideas for future development of the park.

## Swimming pool sees lower attendance

The Cardiff swimming pool was open for 49 days, and had 1,030 visits, compared to 1,789 visits in 2016. Pool badge sales were down from 73 in 2016 to 46 this year.

Regarding the lower numbers, Stewart Hurd, environmental supervisor, said: "A big assumption would be the weather. Weather's been affecting a lot of stuff this year."

## Motorcycle racers plan for Gooderham

Corduoy Enduro Riders have applied for an un-serviced camping agreement on the grounds of the Gooderham Community Centre for the weekend of Sept. 21 to 24. They also hope to briefly cordon off some roads in the area during the 64th annual motorcycle race, which

takes place Sept. 23 to 24. Approximately 200 attendees visit the area for the races.

## Cardiff water service project

The Cardiff water service project that began June 21 is expected to be finished by the end of the year, with landscaping done next spring, according to Hurd, environmental supervisor. As of Aug. 29, 78 services had been completed.

## Recycling information sessions fall flat

Recycling information sessions held on Aug. 19 saw only three people outside of two councillors and municipal staff attend in Cardiff, and only one person, a municipal employee, attend in Gooderham.

"It seems those who do recycle don't feel they need the information, and those who don't recycle wouldn't bother to attend," said Joanne Vanier, community economic development and committee co-ordinator.

Councillor Suzanne Partridge said the information sessions offered new tips to her, and said despite low attendance, the sessions would still make a difference.

"It didn't matter there were few people," she said. "There's a huge ripple effect."

"I learned a few things I didn't know," said Councillor Cam McKenzie.

## Volunteers needed on Paudash Beach

Paudash Beach has been chosen as a site to be naturalized by The Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners (CHA), and volunteers are being asked to pitch in on Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Correction

In the story, "Health unit tackles food insecurity," in the Aug. 28 issue of the *Haliburton Echo*, it was stated:

"The [basic income pilot] program will see selected people given a minimum income of about \$17,000 from the government, with the amount decreasing by \$0.50 for every hour the selected people work."

This is incorrect. According to Jessica Knot, the health unit intern who spoke at the presentation, "the amount provided to people (for a single person, just less than \$17,000) will be reduced by \$0.50 for each dollar earned from wages, not for every hour worked. In this way the basic income will be reduced by 50 per cent of any earned income."

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# Park to be suited to scooters, BMX bikes along with skateboards

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out having to stop," she said.

The list of permanent features were increased and include ledges, a mini-quarter pipe, grind boxes, rails, a bowl that is a little more than one metre deep, and a few rollers, Mueller said.

These changes were made in response to the skateboard park committee's requests. It was designed for more than just skateboarders, as it also accommodates scooters, rollerbladers and BMX bikes. This park will be ideal for beginners to advanced riders/skaters. The final design was sent to the township earlier this summer. The approximately 6,000-square-foot park will use a special grade of concrete and will have its edges on the perimeter reinforced for greater robustness.

It will be located close to the Haliburton County Emergency Medical Services station in the former ball diamond, between the arena and the township office. The addition is part of greater enhancement of the area, which most recently included A.J. LaRue Arena receiving its new entranceway created by Haliburton School of Art and Design students and paid for by Rotary Club of Haliburton.

What started as a \$75,000 project has grown into a \$210,000 project.

Mueller said the park's cost has grown out of necessity.

"That was going with the old location," she said, referring to the site close to the library.

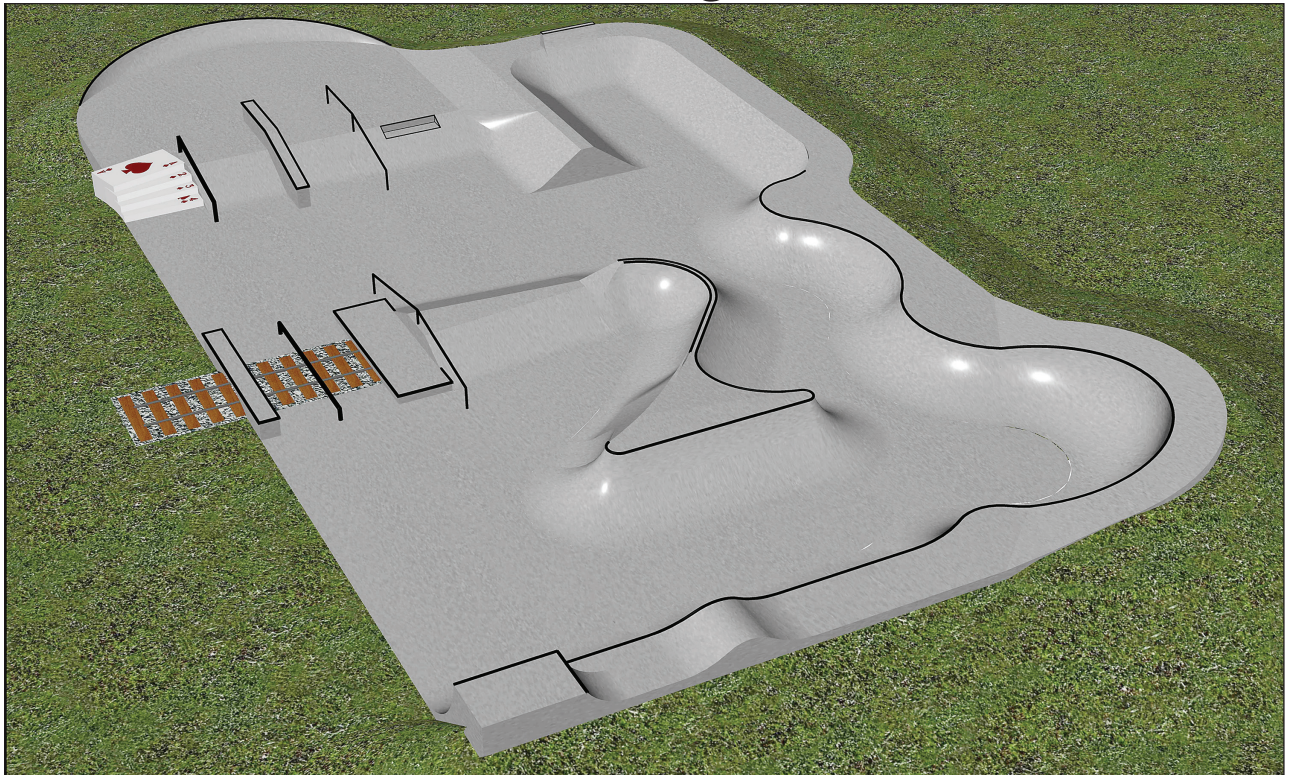
"When we realized that the groundwork would be \$30,000 before we saw anything above ground it was like what's the point, so we increased it to \$150,000. It's grown to [\$210,000]."

Mueller said there has been \$170,000 fundraised, but the township is still accepting financial donations and will accept flexible terms of payment so donations do not need to be paid in one lump sum.

Donations can also be in-kind donations such as materials, or accommodations for the crew of Radius Contracting Incorporated. They require accommodation for up to four people for part of, or all of, the time required. Every little bit helps, Mueller said.

Contact Mueller at amueller@dysartetel.ca or phone her at 705-457-1740 ext. 35.

Donations of \$50 or more will receive a tax receipt. A



This rendering by JWP Design of the new Haliburton skate park shows the variety of features, change of elevation and the moulded contours of concrete allowing skaters and riders to transition from one area to another. /Submitted by Dysart et al

donor wall will be erected at the site and include donors, who give more than \$1,000. Donations will be accepted at the township office or by mail: Haliburton Junction Skate Park, 135 Maple Avenue, P.O. Box 389, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0.

There are tentative plans for a fundraiser event before December and, like other years, the Battle of the Bands is scheduled for this coming February.

Mueller and the township appreciate any help, which has come from individuals and local businesses.

She said the Beer Store in Haliburton has facilitated the collection of money from donated empties at the request of donors to contribute to the skate park.

Total Site Services has committed to providing in-kind services in the form of site-preparation work, Mueller said.

Once the park is built there will be workshops held with fees to help pay for the remaining balance for the project.

There will be a ceremonial grand opening this spring, she said.

This project will enhance what the village offers.

"Family can spend some time there and even if everyone can't use the skate park they can use the surrounding area as well," she said.

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# Take Back the Night for victims of sexual assault

JENN WATT

Editor

One out of every three women in Ontario will experience some form of sexual assault in her lifetime. According to a report issued by the province in 2015, "there are 460,000 sexual assaults in Canada each year."

However, in Haliburton County, very few women seek help through the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre.

Lisa Clarke, community engagement manager with KSAC, said in rural areas, there is generally less willingness to come forward following a sexual assault because of the tightly knit environment of a small community.

"It isn't necessarily safe in a rural environment," she said in an interview with the *Echo*.

"So many people are harmed by people they know. It's not actually safe to talk about what's going on."

For many years, those seeking counselling and other services to address the impact of sexual assault (both during childhood and adulthood) would need to travel to Lindsay or Peterborough to meet up with a staff member. Now, there are more options including video counselling using a secure connection and weekend web chats via the KSAC website.

However, there are still significant barriers to speaking out and to seeking help, which is why Clarke hopes members of the Haliburton County community will join in this year's Take Back the Night candlelight walk in Haliburton on Thursday, Sept. 21.

"Take Back the Night is specifically around anti-sexual violence and harassment," Clarke said. "When people gather

together, we're speaking out [to say] that we want to prevent sexual violence and harassment. We want to be part of a solution, of a caring and inclusive community, and we're willing to put ourselves and our voices together toward this cause for ourselves, our friends, family and our children."

A rally and walk through the village has multiple purposes. It offers the chance to start conversations in the community about sexual violence and harassment and to offer support to those who have been targets of this violence. When many people come to stand together, it also shows that the community supports those who have experienced this kind of violence. It also people to participate as part of a group, without feeling that they need to stand alone.

"When we all stand together, when friends, families, politicians, support workers, youth, parents, all come out together to walk, then people can remain anonymous if they're not ready to share their stories, but they can walk together with people they know can support them in the community," Clarke said.

The first Take Back the Night march was in response to the 1975 murder of Susan Alexander Speeth, a microbiologist in Philadelphia. Marches and rallies were held around the world and have continued ever since. Originally, the events were women only to allow women to "demonstrate that women united can resist fear and violence," Clarke said. However, over time, the rallies were opened to everyone who wanted to stand against violence, "though violence against women is still the top focus."

KSAC has partnered with Fleming College on the walk and is holding four simultaneous events in Cobourg, Peterborough, Lindsay and Haliburton – all towns that

include a Fleming campus.

"We thought that it would be a really great partnership to be able to utilize Fleming's four campuses and that way we can get into all of the different communities in which we wanted to run these kind of events," said Amie Kroes, student rights and responsibilities officer at Fleming College. "It's a mutual positive relationship."

Partnering with KSAC sends a message to Fleming students and the wider population, she said.

"We, as a college, identify this as an issue. We, as a college, want to take a stand on this issue," Kroes said. "We're not just going to say this is an issue. We're going to do something about it. There's a genuine community commitment to making our world a better place."

Recently, KSAC has been expanding its services into the smaller communities it serves, bringing counselling services one day a week to Cobourg and Lindsay.

Clarke said her organization is hoping to hear from the Haliburton County population about what services it needs.

"There's lots of options, but we need to understand what's the interest; what's the need up in the county," she said. "The centre would like to hear from survivors of sexual abuse and sexual assault if they are interested in having more localized services and contact the centre to learn more about video counselling, weekend web chat and other options."

Take Back the Night is Thursday, Sept. 21, starting at 7 p.m. at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School athletic field. There will be a rally with guest speakers, spoken word poetry and music followed by a candlelight walk at 7:30 p.m. from the field along the waterfront, to York Street, making its way to Highland Street and then back to

the field again.



Lisa Clarke of the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre stands with her placard before the walk from the high school to the park in Haliburton during the 2016 Take Back the Night march. This year's walk is Sept. 21 at the HHSS athletic field at 7 p.m. /JENN WATT Staff

Weekend web chats are Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. The chat is a free, anonymous service that connects survivors of sexual violence and harassment with professionals who can offer support. Go to [kawarthasexualassault-centre.com](http://kawarthasexualassault-centre.com) to access the service or to find out more about KSAC. The 24-hour crisis support line is 1-866-298-7778.

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# Sled dogs chill out in summer heat

JENN WATT

Editor

Hank DeBruin and Tanya McCready-DeBruin pause in the kitchen before they enter the Winterdance dog kennels. As soon as the group walks through the doors, the barking of some 144 Siberian huskies will make doing an interview for the newspaper nearly impossible.

Best to get most of the facts down on paper before touring the pens.

We stand in a room that used to be part of the DeBruins' first home – the space they built when they made the decision to leave Guelph and move to Haliburton with their seven dogs in 1999.

One side of the kitchen has a pile of Redpaw dog food bags heaped on a table. When the monthly shipment of 50 bags arrives, the room will be taken up with the food. In the winter, raw meat will be added to the menu.

We can see the kennels through a window in the kitchen and Tanya talks about the social dynamics of packs of dogs.

"They're so individual," she says. "They're just like people."

Some dogs don't like each other. Others stick together for life. Sometimes there are disputes and long-time buddies become hostile.

The kennels are 5,000 square feet, kept warm in the winter with radiant heat from an outdoor wood furnace. The building was constructed 18 years ago, with a second section about 10 years ago. There are three outdoor yards for the dogs to play separately, which together make up about two acres.

Staff members, Hank and Tanya and their four children are in the kennels all the time, feeding and watering the dogs, taking them out for playtime, brushing their coats and cleaning up after them. Picking up poop is one of the first things Hank lists as his daily chores with the dogs.

It's a full-time job, especially given the busy winter schedule Winterdance keeps.

"We run 15 teams morning and afternoon [in the winter]," Tanya says. "Approximately 75 to 80 dogs on the trail. During the week we purposely schedule lighter so dogs have their days off," she says.

"They're not machines," Hank adds.

In the summer, the dogs don't have any work at all. There's no training whatsoever, since any temperatures above 10°C is too hot for huskies.

So they spend their summers digging in the dirt, playing with their pack, lounging in the sun and in their kennels, which are cooled with ceiling-mounted fans.



Rainy, Polar and Gillam play outside in one of Winterdance's three pens at their Drag Lake location. During the summer months, the hot weather can be tough on huskies, so they take the season off as a holiday. /JENN WATT Staff

Since early last winter, the DeBruins have had an additional worry on their minds, beyond keeping their dogs fed and healthy. A documentary called *Sled Dogs* has been making the independent film circuit, with viewings in Whistler, B.C., Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Vancouver, Calgary and beyond. It has shown several times on CBC Docs.

The film, directed by Fern Levitt, takes exception to the existence of the industry and questions whether dogs should be used for commercial purposes at all.

It details recent atrocities at dogsledging operations, including a widely condemned cull of huskies in Whistler following the Vancouver Olympics and animal cruelty charges laid against an operator in Colorado.

When it was first launched, the DeBruins spoke out against it in the *Haliburton Echo* and when the film came to Toronto, they went to see it and to take part in the question and answer period with Levitt.

The couple says the film shows those in the industry who have gone against the mainstream, mistreating their animals, but makes it seem like all dogsled operators are cruel.

"Our best ammunition is to be proactive to show people it's not the truth," says Tanya.

During a visit to the kennel on Aug. 17,

Hank and Tanya couldn't be sure of just how many dogs were on the property. One of their staff members, Moses, went off to do a headcount.

"We go by names, not by numbers," says Hank.

"We're always 140 to 150, generally speaking," says Tanya, and after a few minutes, Moses returns with his tally: 144 dogs.

By the driveway, you find the first outdoor pen, which on this day is pockmarked where rambunctious pups have been digging holes. A photographer, Rob Stimpson, is in the pen with them and the DeBruins' daughters trying to get a shot where the dogs are standing still. Not an easy task.

Later, when I try to do the same thing, I'm overwhelmed by the soft grey and cream-coloured puppies, who love having a ball tossed to them as much as a good rub behind the ears.

Logan DeBruin, the couple's eldest, helps distract the dogs, which try to steal this reporter's notepad out of her back pocket.

Eventually, Hank lifts a puppy in a warm embrace so I can take a photo of its two clear blue eyes.

The front pen with its youthful energy is in stark contrast with the seniors' wing of the building, which houses Strider,

Duke, Merlin and Martini range in age from 13 to 15. These dogs don't pull a sled anymore, but they still enjoy the comforts of a warm bed and private rooms in their old age.

Winterdance keeps all of its dogs, whether they can work or not. Regarded as part of the gigantic family, they are treated as such. Huskies are a pack animal, the DeBruins say, and are not well suited to a low-energy, urban lifestyle. Some of the criticism of the industry has come from people who don't understand the breed, they say.

In an interview with the *Echo* in 2016, Levitt said she disputed claims huskies were different than other breeds.

"They say things like sled dogs are different from other dogs," she told the paper. "And that's simply not true. They're dogs. They're dogs like any other dog."

Tanya says at first she and Hank did treat their dogs "like any dog," but found they weren't keen on staying in the house.

"When we moved here we felt bad they were in the kennel," she says. "And we used to bring them into the house and they couldn't wait to get back to the kennel. ... This is their home and their family. This is where the action is."



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## Happy huskies

**L**OCAL DOGSLED tour providers Hank DeBruin and Tanya McCready-DeBruin have been trying to head off unwarranted criticism following the release of a film called *Sled Dogs*, which is highly critical of the dogsleding industry.

In December, the *Echo* wrote a story about the film and spoke with filmmaker Fern Levitt, who said the notion that huskies are a breed that likes to pull sleds is inaccurate. She told the *Echo* that “if you’re using animals to make money, you’re compromising. Then it becomes a money-making operation. You’re compromising the needs of your animals.”

Her film has had financial consequences for many in the industry and specifically the Iditarod dogsled race, which Hank DeBruin has competed a few times.

For the DeBruins, the film and its allegations are deeply hurtful – so much so that they invited the newspaper to see how the dogs are kept.

Our article this week is a look inside the indoor kennels occupied by some 144 bouncy Siberian huskies, which run tours throughout the winter in the Highlands.

Winterdance is part of an industry that draws visitors to the area during the winter with dogsled tours, which are so

popular that Hank and Tanya have to schedule one day off a week just to make sure everyone gets a proper break.

The family and the staff are rightly horrified to think they would be lumped in with the worst examples of animal treatment that are featured in *Sled Dogs*.

Painting an entire industry as cruel and careless because of the actions of some members is unfair and potentially damaging.

According to local veterinarian Laurie Brown, who has been caring for the dogs since 1999, “they’re treasured ... cared for ... in great condition ... and joyously happy” – a claim I was able to see for myself while visiting their kennels.

While the DeBruins are upset by the image the film has put into the public sphere about their life’s passion, Tanya said they’re going to use it as an opportunity to talk about dogsled tours and their canine family.

Dogsledding might not be for everyone, but you cannot deny the love and caring the DeBruins and their staff have for the dogs. Perhaps with time, examples like Winterdance will help to balance the message.

It does no good to generalize. Industries, and people, should be judged on their individual actions.



jenn watt

# Editorial



Floral sunshine

by Darren Lum

## Colourfest, autumn and much more

**S**UMMER IS OVER. Many will debate if it really happened this year, but the calendar date tells us all to move on to autumn! This summer saw many more visitors to downtown because the rain made outside activities more difficult. So in the end perhaps we can be a little more thankful for the poor weather and the extra spending of our visitors, and the economic boost it provides to our community.

Admittedly, this is my favourite time of the year because of the cool crisp air, the amazing colours as the leaves change, and thankfully no mosquitos. Labour Day has always signified a new beginning and fresh start. Embrace the new and challenge yourself to set new goals.

With autumn comes the wonderful talents of a very dedicated group of volunteers, led by Debra Dart, who decorate the Downtown Haliburton streetscape. People have told me that they can’t wait to visit downtown every day to see when the decorations will be up. Debra and her great team of volunteers head out and personally cut down corn stalks generously donated by a local farmer. Then deliver the corn stalks to each site with the straw bales, flowers, baskets and scarecrows. A huge thank you to them for everything they do to make downtown Haliburton even more beautiful.

We will also celebrate Colourfest before my next opportunity to reach out to you. The volunteer committee, led by the multi-talented Andrea Mueller, has been hard at work planning a fun-filled day

on Saturday, Sept. 30. Events are planned from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Highland Street and in Head Lake Park.

There will be horse-drawn wagon rides on Highland Street boarding in front of the Village Barn. There will be a classic car show in Head Lake Park. Youth Unlimited will have a kids zone, and returning this year, a bouncy castle. The Rotary Club will test your strength and accuracy in the pumpkin rolling contest. RPM will have boat

rides on Head Lake and there will be a special edition of the farmers’ market. Free balloons will be given out as well. There will be musicians, dance groups and buskers to entertain you.

New this year is face painting – always popular with the children! And also new this year is an upgraded Build a Scarecrow contest. This year you are encouraged to bring some of your

own materials to build and customize your scarecrow. Examples of what to bring include, clothing, sunglasses, gloves, and shoes, and whatever you want. Your creativity is the limit and the prizes are worth your effort!

During the day enjoy the Lions Club barbecue in Head Lake Park, and Colourfest will end with a Beef Dinner at St. George’s Anglican Church from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Food prices are very reasonable.

In addition to all of these activities, the downtown Haliburton businesses will be offering special discounts and offers to celebrate Colourfest. Please bring the whole family and see you in downtown Haliburton on Sept. 30.

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# points of view

## The spec slinger

**I**DON'T TRY TO be cool. It's just the way some people (thanks mom) describe guys like me – and cucumbers too I guess.

And, quite frankly, I think that this is sometimes intimidating for other people.

Jenn is one of those people. So it came as no surprise when she noticed my latest trend-setting gizmo and was both smitten and alarmed by it.

"Wha...wha....what's that thing hanging from your belt?" she said. "A cell phone case? Please don't tell me it's a cell phone case!"

"A cell phone case?!" I laughed. "Ha! Only old people clip cell phones to their belts! This is a case for my reading glasses – it's totally different..."

Then, quick as a flash, I opened the Velcro sealed case and carefully pulled out my cheaters, which is a name we middle-aged guys use to describe horn-rimmed prescription reading glasses. This is probably yet another reason why the kids think we're so cool.

For her part, Jenn looked at the case once again, then she shook her head and walked away without saying another word.

I don't know this for a fact but I suspect her reaction was similar to the one displayed by the first woman to ever witness a mullet. She was clearly overwhelmed by the sheer majesty of it all and, like that woman, Jenn probably sensed that the fashion world would never be the same.

You could hardly blame her.

After all, my case was made from a special kind of leather taken from an animal that is probably very rare – honestly, I don't even know what a faux looks like.

All I know is that they make external belt cases for reading glasses look even cooler than you'd imagine.

Interestingly, you probably haven't seen many hanging off the belts of far-sighted men around here. But I predict that's about to change.

All it will take is me to do a few quick draws at high noon to create a buzz.

I'll walk into a restaurant with my faux leather case hanging low and within easy reach of twitchy fingers like some Old West gunslinger. My far-off look and squinty eyes might be disconcerting too – but, don't worry, that's probably because I'm trying to read the special of the day.

That's when it will happen.

You'll see me quick draw a pair of horn-rimmed cheaters from that holster, opening the arms on the way up and placing them on my face – more often than not with the arms of the glasses landing on my ears rather than poking me in both eyes simultaneously – which admittedly defeats the purpose.

Let me tell you, done correctly, it's impressive.

This is why I've been practising in front of the mirror for speed.

Naturally, Jenn is concerned by all this. She thinks, and rightly so, that if I go out there and gain a reputation as the quickest draw in the county, other far-sighted middle-aged men might challenge me just for bragging rights.

"It could get really dangerous," she said, after watching me draw.

"Maybe," I said, as I held my watering right eye. "But a man's got to do what a man's got to do."

And then I walked into the wall.

Between you and me, I'm hoping it doesn't go this way. I'm not about to walk around drawing my cheaters for no reason. Sure, if a menu strikes me the wrong way or if I need to sign a contract that has fine print I'll do what I have to do. But otherwise, I'll just walk around like any really cool guy would – with reading glasses slung low and maybe a Stetson, chaps, a sheriff's star and spurs, if Jenn doesn't absolutely forbid it.

So don't get nervous, there's actually no reason to start creating legends about me – unless of course, she permits the chaps, spurs, star and Stetson.

Besides, I'm not actually that quick on the draw.

If you've heard that when I draw it's a blur, remember, the guy who said it was probably far-sighted.



steve  
galea

## Loon Tales



## pic of the past

**T**his week's Pic of the Past is a bit of a mystery. John Stouffer brought in this photo taken by his father, Archie Stouffer, in the 1940s. The building was obviously constructed a long time before that. John is wondering if anyone knows where this school is now and any other details about it. Let us know at the *Echo*!

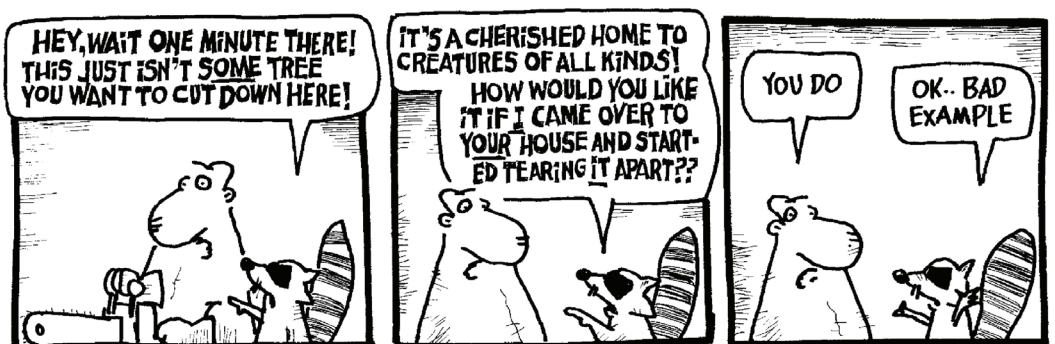
## letters to the editor

This week's "letter" comes in the form of a photo from Mike Irwin of the ice house by Hill-top Market. Before modern refrigerators could be relied upon to keep food cool, ice would be cut

from Lake Kashagawigamog and brought to this ice house where it would be packed in sawdust to be kept frozen through the summer. People would purchase the ice for use in their home ice boxes.



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Members of Toronto-based band Nhapitapi brought Zimbabwean roots and spiritual music to the Rails End Gallery's Haliburton Drumfest in Head Lake Park on Sept. 2. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



Members of Nhapitapi perform for a large crowd in Head Lake Park.



Members of Zimbabwean collective Nhapitapi sing and dance during Haliburton Drumfest in Head Lake Park Sept. 2. An afternoon concert also included performances by Roger Gibbs, Susan G, Korexion, Connector and the Northern Lights Steel Orchestra.

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# A brief history of the Loyal Orange Lodge in Haliburton

STEPHEN HILL

*Special to the Echo*

*The following notes were used by Haliburton Highlands Museum curator Stephen Hill when speaking to the Rotary Club of Haliburton at their meeting of July 13, at the request of member Curry Bishop. The notes bearing the title "Loyal Orange Lodge" and "Orangeism in Haliburton" were written by Hill in 2001 for the museum's exhibit; the notes entitled "Loyal Orange Lodge – Haliburton" were written in 2017 by Hill for the Rotary speech.*

The Loyal Orange Lodge, with its principles of loyalty to the Crown and the preservation of the Protestant religion, originated in Ireland in 1795. Symbolic of the order was King William III who, at the Battle of the Boyne in 1690, defeated the Roman Catholic forces of James II and thereby secured Protestant succession to the British Throne. Orangeism gradually spread abroad, being officially organized in Canada in 1830. Its ideology was concurrent with the times and was shared by members and non-members alike.

Orange membership provided social contact, conviviality and charity. The parity of various Protestant denominations within its ranks, and equality of members regardless of social, economic, or occupational background fostered a sense of brotherhood. This bred a sense of community within the order which was important in 19th century Canada, especially within the more isolated areas. Lodge activities provided members with a break from their working lives; the Lodge buildings themselves often served as community centres. Orangemen paraded annually on the "Glorious Twelfth" of July to commemorate the Boyne victory.

The emerging nationalism that followed Canada's gallant efforts in the First World War tended to weaken her colonial outlook and prompted reconsideration of Imperial obligations. The Orange Lodge, with its fixed principles, became somewhat anachronistic and began its slow, honourable decline.

## Orangeism in Haliburton County

The Orange Lodge had established its presence in Haliburton County by the 1860s, immediately after the arrival of the first settlers. Reinforcing British sentiments and dedicated to the preservation of Protestantism, it served to provide for the social and charitable needs of its members in these back-townships.

Orange membership was advantageous for a man's professional development, and imperative for cultivating his political aspirations. There was a Lodge in nearly every Haliburton community, and it has been said quite truthfully that every man in the county was either an Orangeman, or related to one. While the order began its slow decline in Canada after the First World War, it was so much a part of the Haliburton County fabric that it survived with strength here until well into the 1980s. Lodges in the smaller communities merged with larger ones over the years; eventually most were absorbed by LOL No. 975 in Haliburton Village, the last active bastion. The Orange Lodge was responsible for much good will and charity, usually anonymous. Perhaps the most memorable instance occurred in 1981 when LOL No. 975 provided financial assistance for St. Anthony's Roman Catholic congregation during the construction of their new Haliburton



An early 20th century photo shows Haliburton Village from up top of the hill between Victoria Street and George Street, looking west towards Head Lake. The Haliburton Orange Hall, built during 1897-98, which was the home of Loyal Orange Lodge No. 975, is the building at foreground centre. Behind the evergreen trees at left is the Presbyterian Church on George Street (site now occupied by the Haliburton Masonic Hall). At the right is Fred Freeman's store on Pine Avenue; above it is what is probably Benjamin Franklin Austin's sawmill (near the present-day skateboard park/H&R Block office), with the Malloy and Bryan's sawmill just beyond, on the shore of Head Lake. The Grand Trunk Railway's water tower is visible near the lake. Note the Town Hall at extreme left of photo. The museum is looking for an original photo of the original Haliburton Orange Hall (1897-98) for its archives.

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## Loyal Orange Lodge – Haliburton

Orangeism was an active force in Haliburton County and the surrounding area from the 1860s until well into the 20th century. A detailed study of the order on a local scale is not currently possible, owing to scarcity of records. The whereabouts of the records of the various primary lodges in Haliburton County is not known; many have been lost. Those of LOL No. 975 Haliburton are the most complete records at hand, albeit confidential, but they are vague in many respects. Grand Lodge may hold some records, but they are only as good as the sparse data submitted to them and the material is not accessible to non-members. It has been the museum's experience in dealing with Grand Lodge that data submitted to them from Haliburton County lodges is scant at best.

The following is as complete a listing of Haliburton County and area Orange Lodges as we have been able to compile:

LOL No. 11 Gooderham, 74 Highland Grove, 199 Silver Lake, 327 Galway, 468 Lochlin, 754 Dorset, 814 Harburn, 975 Haliburton, 1061 Minden, 1109 Kinmount, 1114 Wilberforce, 1163 Allsaw, 1278 Peterson's Corners, 1281 Gelert, 1357 West Guilford, 1406 Maple Lake, 1412 Murray's Corners.

While Kinmount and Silver Lake were Victoria County lodges and the Galway lodge was in the County of Peterborough, they were considered close enough to Haliburton County to be associated with the lodges here. Dor-

set itself was in the Muskoka district and associated more with their lodges; however, there was occasional contact between its brethren and those of Haliburton County.

Ironically, the first Orange Lodge in Haliburton County is not known. LOL No. 975, Haliburton, was chartered on June 30, 1866. This was a mere two years after the arrival of the first settlers, indicating the strength of Orangeism in the mindset of the area's pioneers; their sense of priority. Only the establishment of the Haliburton Village Public School and that of St. George's Anglican Church pre-date it, for the municipal government of present-day Dysart et al was not set up until 1867. Concerning the founding dates of the various primary lodges within the county, the records are not extant. While Grand Lodge of present-day Ontario assigned lodge numbers chronologically in the beginning, commencing in the 1830s, they later began to re-issue the numbers of defunct lodges to fledgling establishments. These numbers were known as re-issues, and it was a matter of pride for a lodge to obtain a low number because it made them appear more established. This is seen in the obvious example of Gooderham LOL No. 11. There is no way that Gooderham could have had the 11th Orange lodge in Ontario, for their lodge was chartered as late as 1886. The Haliburton Village lodge by comparison, chartered in 1866 – exactly 20 years prior to Gooderham's – bears a higher number of 975! Also, the Harburn settlement was not established until 1868-69; their setting up as number 814 could not have pre-dated Haliburton's 975. These same circumstances would hold true

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# Most charity within Haliburton County done anonymously

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for LOL No. 468 at Lochlin. Yet the existence of re-issued lodge numbers in Haliburton County; the clambering for a low number; is indicative of the pride in which the membership held the Orange order and the strength of the organization hereabouts.

Some interesting information has come to light in the museum's research. There are unconfirmed references that LOL No. 1163, Allsaw, may have been located at Ingoldsby in the 1860s-1870s. It is also known that LOL No. 468 was located at Ingoldsby before relocation to Lochlin prior to the First World War. Similarly, LOL No. 1114, Wilberforce, was relocated from Essonville around that time. LOL No. 1357, West Guilford, was at one time situated in Harcourt, possibly at the Ken-naway settlement prior to being re-established at West Guilford around 1900. A lodge of note was LOL No. 1412, Murray's Corners, which was a Dysart Township lodge believed to have been near the Dysart-Minden line. They met from 1874 to 1880, probably in the schoolhouse. Its brethren, local farmers and their sons, separated amicably from LOL No. 975 because of the poor roads of the 1870s which sometimes made it difficult to attend meetings up in Haliburton Village. It closed due to the majority of its members leaving the district for better agricultural prospects once the railway arrived.

At this late date it cannot be said whether all the primary lodges had their own meeting premises. LOL No. 975, Haliburton, at one time met in the village schoolhouse, also at the Lucas Hall, which served the community as its town hall. When the Lucas Hall in Haliburton Village was destroyed by fire in 1895, it is conceivable that some of the lodge's regalia and other paraphernalia was lost at that time. It was not until 1897-98 that they built their own hall on George Street (once known as

Orange Street), which itself was replaced by the present building constructed in 1951-52 (date stone marked "1951"; official opening 1952), now affordable housing.

In LOL No. 975, membership fluctuated over the years. Interest was always strong, but personal economics often dictated a member's ability to pay his annual dues. The local lodge apparently endeavoured to carry their members along through the 1930s Depression, as well as absentees in uniform during First and Second World War. Long-time members were made honorary members in their old age. Goodwill and charity amongst the membership (and anonymously within the community at large) could be in the form of food packages, medical coverage, and other quiet gestures of kindness. Financial support for community aid and improvements were charitable works of the lodge outside its membership. A noteworthy example was the lodge's financial assistance for the construction of the Haliburton Arena (now the A.J. LaRue Arena) in 1965. These good works carried LOL No. 975 into the 21st century. It is interesting to note, however, that Grand Lodge decreed that all Orange Lodge "good works" be anonymous because they felt that true charity sought no recognition. This ultimately proved to be part of the organization's undoing, for the Orange Lodge's unheralded contributions to their respective communities – including Haliburton – often were not public knowledge, a factor that could have enabled the lodge to attract support in the face of declining membership.

Many Haliburton residents recall the Orange Lodge quite fondly. They were the first organization here to hold fundraising bingo events, commencing in the 1940s, shortly after the end of the Second World War. Many are the Haliburton old-timers of today who attended school classes in the Haliburton Orange Hall in the 1940s and 1950s when a shortage of local classroom space necessitated the school board rent-

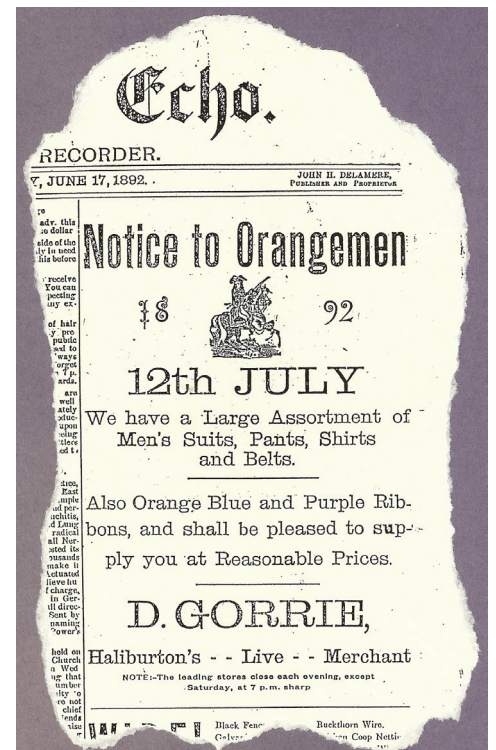
ing the hall to accommodate the overflow of pupils. Within recent years the most memorable event in the history of LOL No. 975 occurred in 1981 when the Orangemen donated financial assistance to the building fund of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church in the Village, and allowed their congregation to make use of the Orange Hall for some of their activities and meetings.

Asked in later years about this act of good will, the last Worshipful Master of LOL No. 975, Ron Smith (1944-2006), stated "It's true, we helped out St. Anthony's. We didn't care what Grand Lodge thought about it. Haliburton is a small town, we all mix together in our day-to-day affairs. Everybody should get along. Life's too short to squabble about religion, especially since we all believe in the same God and hope to be going to the same place some day when we pass on." This gesture and sentiment sums up the real value of the Loyal Orange Lodge to the Haliburton community.

Loyal Orange Lodge No. 975 Haliburton closed in 2000, winding up its legal and business affairs and surrendering their charter in 2001. The lodge building was then sold by the trustees of LOL No. 975 and, after all legalities were settled, the proceeds of the sale were donated the Haliburton hospital committee.

(The lodge building was sold to Terri Mathews who had the premises converted into a dance studio which she operated therein until 2009 when she in turn sold the building to Places for People, which converted it into affordable apartments.)

Operating within LOL No. 975, Haliburton, was the "ladies' lodge." This was LOBA No. 828 – Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association – which was the female equivalent of the Orange Lodge, and worked to better the community in their



Daniel Gorrie's advertisement in the Minden Echo of June 17, 1892. The *Minden Echo* was the *Haliburton County Echo's* predecessor. Daniel Gorrie's store at the time of the advertisement was located where the Bargain Shop was recently situated, at 186 Highland Street. Although not an Orangeman himself, Mr. Gorrie understood the local market of the day and strived to accommodate the requirements of his clientele. /Courtesy of the Haliburton Highlands Museum

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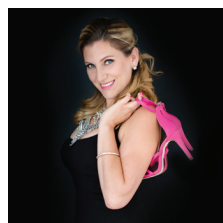
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# Hawks rugby optimism rooted in substance

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Being optimistic at the start of an athletic season isn't new.

What is new for the Red Hawks girls' rugby team is the record 28 athletes signed up, the addition of a new coach with competitive experience and a past season of relative on-field success for a program that in previous seasons didn't have much measurable statistical results to look back on.

After six years coaching the Kawartha High School Rugby league varsity team based at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, Carson MacDonald believes the past results and this year's turnout is what he had hoped would happen when he started.

"It's huge encouragement," he said. "That's why I've been doing it for so long, is I hoped something like this would happen, eventually this thing would take off ... girls would want to play the sport more and they're doing so much better and doing so well. This last season was awesome. The girls started to finally see we were competitive and now they wanted to play."

He said the fifth place finish for the Canadian women's national rugby team at the Women's Rugby World Cup this past summer helped to boost the team's draw.

"Rugby is a Canadian women's sport. We do really well in it," he said. "It's like the guys seeing hockey."

This year the team's coaching staff will also include the

school's new math teacher Alexis David, who had been teaching at J.Douglas Hodgson Elementary School for the past two years.

David is excited to join the staff and able to share her passion for the sport with the players.

"Rugby is my first love," she said. "I want to instill that passion in them. This is a game that you get out your aggression and you're part of a team. Rugby teams are something that is closer than anything that I've been part of. It's a family. I want them to see that and bring them together and feel that family vibe and have that love for the game. So, after high school they continue their rugby career, whether it be club, whether it be [at a provincial level], whether it be university or college."

She believes her competitive background will enable her to improve the team members' playing techniques by teaching them advanced and high level skills.

This is a return to the pitch for David after an absence since her fourth year at Brock University, which was more than three years ago. She played four years for the Brock Badgers in the Ontario University Association. Before that she played for four years at Thomas A. Stewart Secondary in Peterborough and the club team, the Peterborough Pagans for four summers, including team Ontario where she won a gold medal at the Canada Games in 2010, the year she graduated from high school.

"Hopefully we can pull out a win because last year they got their first one so that was exciting," she said.

Last year the Hawks beat Port Hope High School 42 - 5 and scored 14 tries during the six-game season.

With her experience playing at every forward position except hooker and MacDonald's playing experience playing forward,, the team will be employing a forward heavy strategy with what she thinks will be a "forward dominated team."

"I know a lot of our backs graduated last year so we do have a very forward dominated team so between the two of use we can strengthen them and teach them how to ruck harder and win scrums to do that stuff so we can be, hopefully, a forwarded dominated team," she said.

This approach will mean greater demands related to stamina because of the focus on hitting, but it will enable the team to control the game's tempo, slowing it down. Stamina will be key, she said. Tiring out the opponents will factor so the players have been undergoing strenuous practices working on their conditioning and strength.

MacDonald said long-time team coach Josh Dennys will be joining the team later this month on Sept. 20. Although there hasn't been a schedule released, MacDonald said last year the team's season began at the end of the month.

He likes his team's mix of veterans and rookies, MacDonald said.

"We have a really experienced team. There are some new players as well, which is good ... and Alexis helping coach as well is awesome. It should be a good season. I'm really looking forward to it."

## Smile cookie proceeds will benefit volunteer dental outreach

For the fourth year in a row, local Tim Hortons locations will be making customers—and a local charity—smile.

Between Monday, Sept. 11 and Sunday, Sept. 17, both the Minden and Haliburton restaurants will be selling freshly baked Smile Cookies for \$1 (plus tax). All the proceeds will go to the Volunteer Dental Outreach for Haliburton County (VDO).

In the last three years the campaign has raised \$12,400 for the VDO, a volunteer-run charity that provides free

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The board of the VDO is encouraging customers to post creative photos with their cookies on social media using the hashtag #smileforvdo.

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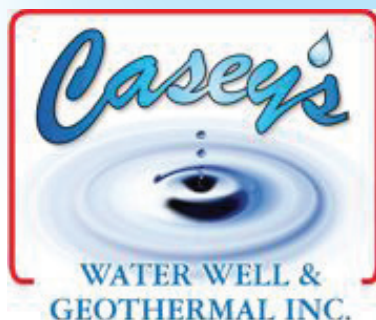
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# Curling club offering introduction clinic

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Jackie Bradbury, a recent retiree in her 60s, takes a break from painting a wall to rave about curling and said the Haliburton Curling Club's introduction to curling clinic was a major factor in learning and falling in love with the sport.

"At first I was a really nervous getting on the ice because I was worried I was just going to go [gesturing a fall], but once I realized the grippers were good on my feet and I was safe, then it was fun," she said, standing in the club's lower lounge. "I wasn't nervous whatsoever. It was a lot of fun. They offered a lot of instruction. All you had to do was ask [if I had a question]."

Even before she went on the ice, she said, the clinic covered safety aspects of the dos and don'ts of curling during the class room portion.

The introduction to curling clinic includes instruction from experienced volunteer coaches, practice time by participants and provides lunch. It is scheduled from 10 to 4 p.m. on Sept. 23 and costs \$10.

Participants will have the opportunity to try used equipment and, if desired, to buy at a low cost. Anyone interested in receiving instruction on using a stick to throw a curling rock can return to the club the next day, as there will be stick clinic from noon to 2 p.m.

Contact the club for more information and to register for this clinic and the season at haliburtoncurlingclub.com or call 705-457-2830.

Despite Bradbury's initial misgivings and her misconception the sport was boring, she took the clinic and joined the club last year after a friend's urging for three years.

"That was it. I was hooked," she said, laughing.

Even after the clinic help is available.

"The help is there all year. All you have to do is ask," she said.

For Bradbury curling is fun and social and wishes she took the sport up earlier.

The welcoming atmosphere at the club is what she really appreciates, particularly after hearing about friends' negative experiences with other clubs.

"I think this club is very fortunate because everybody gets along. There's not little cliques here and there and all over the place. On the whole everybody looks out for everybody else," she said.

Bradbury appreciates the club and has made great effort to give back, whether that is her interest in



Haliburton Curling Club's president Mary Hillaby adds a new coat of paint, beautifying the lower lounge of the club to prepare for the upcoming curling season. Hillaby invites beginner curlers interested in learning about the sport to come to the club's introduction clinic on Sept. 23. The club held registration this past Friday, but will continue to accept registration until Sept. 21./DARREN LUM Staff

becoming a board of director or volunteering when she can, such as painting the lower level lounge last week.

Hillaby said the ice will be ready in time for the clinic for Sept. 23, which kicks off the club's season.

She fully appreciates Bradbury's enthusiasm and passion for the sport and the not-for-profit organization that provides physical and social opportunities for the community.

She welcomes new curlers and recommends this clinic because it "makes them ease into the sport and makes them feel comfortable," she said.

She adds after this Sept. 23 clinic the beginners can

still get more help and support from coaches for individual work.

An open practice will be available from Monday, Sept. 25 to Thursday, Sept. 28. On Monday and Wednesday it will be 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Tuesday and Thursday it will be open from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

As the saying goes, hindsight is 20-20.

About the only thing Bradbury regrets in relation to curling and the club is not starting sooner.

"I love it. I wish it were all year and not just the winter," she said.

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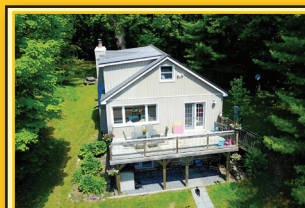
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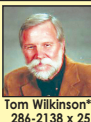
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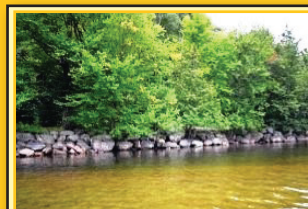
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# Hospital auxiliary has banner year

JENN WATT

Editor

Fundraising went especially well this year for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary with about \$70,000 coming in for several important projects.

Donations went to creating the compassionate care room at Highland Wood long-term care unit; creating an accessible washroom in the emergency department and refurbishing the current washroom; and replacing the complete blood count analyzer.

"All in all, by the end of the time when we pay the bills, it should be close to \$70,000 [for the 2016-2017 fiscal year]," said auxiliary president Jacqui Clarkson.

That amount was much more than is expected in a year, and this coming season, the auxiliary will continue with its usual fundraising amount of \$40,000.

"This year, it's going to be equipment, both medical and non-medical, that's needed in the hospital," she said, but was not yet able to give the final list of items.

The compassionate care room had a price of about \$25,000, she said, which included outfitting a space at the nursing home with more comfortable furniture and appliances to allow friends and family of the resident using the room to spend time there.

A sleeping chair was purchased for visitors along with a small fridge and microwave, a bathroom cabinet, TV and table mount, call-bell system, kitchen cabinet with some dishes, lamp with dimmer, night-light and other items.

The auxiliary also spent some of the money on a blanket warmer for use at Highland Wood.

In the emergency department, about \$18,000 was spent on washrooms.

One of the facilities is having updated plumbing installed, while the other is being created with accessibility in mind.

The complete blood count, or CBC, analyzer is replacing older equipment. A CBC analyzer is used to screen for various blood-related issues and is used at the Haliburton hospital several times a day, Clarkson said.



Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary volunteer Debra Dart packs up a mug at the gift shop at the Haliburton hospital on Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017. The gift shop is the place to go to find raffle tickets, dinner tickets and make donations to the auxiliary. /JENN WATT Staff

To pay for all of the purchases, fundraising is constantly being undertaken. The popular international dinner (formerly the Italian dinner) planned for Oct. 21 is nearly sold out with about a dozen tickets left as of press time. Tickets are available at the gift shop in Haliburton or by calling Clarkson at 705-754-9851.

The auxiliary also sells tickets for its wheelbarrow of wine raffle and quilt raffle through the gift shop. Its annual open house will be Dec. 3 this year with the big bake sale and draw for the wheelbarrow of wine.

"We also have our ornaments," said Clarkson, who suggested this is likely the last year members will be making and selling the Christmas treasures. "They're available through us or the gift shop."

The ornaments are little angels made of wood and handpainted with unique expressions.

New auxiliary members are always warmly welcomed by the organization. You can either get in touch with Clarkson or Brigitte Gebauer, who is the volunteer coordinator for Community Support Services. You can also attend their meetings the first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. at the Ruth Parkes Room at the Haliburton hospital.

Since its inception in 1971, the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary has raised \$1.3 million for health-care services.

"When you consider we're a little town in the woods, that's not too bad," said Clarkson. "Our volunteers are fabulous."

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# Legion Week a showcase of community heroes

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Legion Week shines a spotlight Ontario's Royal Canadian Legions, numbering more than 400, reminding the public about their efforts to make communities healthier and vibrant by supporting not only veterans, but community residents from seniors to young people.

Held the third week of September every year, this year's week of events across the province, as proclaimed by the Ontario Command, begins Sunday, Sept. 17 and concludes Saturday, Sept. 23.

Locally, the Legion in Haliburton invites the public to its flag raising ceremony when members will raise the flag at 9 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 18 at the A.J. LaRue Arena. They will have a dedication ceremony to honour veterans, which includes the planting of commemorative red maple tree with an accompanying dedication plaque for all veterans at 2 p.m. in Head Lake Park. Just after this event, the Legion will formally hang the donated Juno Productions print called Fallen Hero, facilitated by non-profit Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation. It was donated earlier this year by Julia Mackey actor and writer of Jake's Gift, a one-woman performance that honoured veterans and Remembrance Day. There will be light refreshments provided at their building, located at 719 Mountain Street.

Royal Canadian Legion of Haliburton president Paul Sisson said this week "brings to the forefront for the public to recognize the veterans," he said.

He joined 40 years ago due in large

part to his parents, who both served for Canada in the Second World War with the Royal Canadian Air Force and then joined the Haliburton Legion (his mother is a past-president).

The third-year president said this club has been the "hub of Haliburton" since it was incorporated in 1928. The club has hosted a variety of events from senior's card games, school chess tournaments to blood donor clinics.

Legion Week was started in 1953 by Legion members Ray Lawson of Kent and Harry Miner of Blenheim, who discussed the idea to raise the community's awareness about the Legion. The first Legion Week event was held later that year in Dresden at Branch 113. An open house was held, allowing the public to come and learn about the Legion. By 1980, after debate, the Ontario Command Provincial Executive Committee Legion Week was declared to be held the third week of September annually, starting on the Sunday and ending on the Saturday.

In a personal message from the premier to the Legions, Kathleen Wynne wrote, "In this province, the Ontario Command of the Legion is the largest service-oriented organization in Ontario with more than 100,000 members who make significant and wide-ranging contributions."

She said an example is they sponsor community programs for youth and seniors and raise funds for medical care and communities affected by natural disasters.

From a fact sheet with information gathered from a survey of branches provided by the Legion, they have awarded more than \$800,000 in grants from the Legion's Poppy Fund to ex-service per-

sonnel and their dependents; contributed \$341,000 to seniors' programs and from the Ontario Provincial Command Branches and Ladies Auxiliaries Charitable Foundation has approved close to \$500,000 to communities in Ontario in 2016. There has been close to \$16 million donations made to hospitals, health clinics, homes for the aged and charities in the province since the foundation started in 1979.

Between the 2002 to 2003 academic year and the 2016 to 2017 year, the Legion's bursary program has given 11,032 awards worth close to \$5.5 million.

"I therefore commend the Ontario Command for welcoming the public each September to a variety of activities, events and ceremonies that, as part of Legion Week, raise awareness of the Legion's profound and positive impact. I further applaud the Legion for using this annual event as an opportunity to inspire civic engagement by attracting new members to join and help the

Legion deliver more services to the community."

Sisson welcomes new members, who do not need to be connected to the military, as was required in the past. As president and as the membership chairman, he urges people to volunteer for the Legion. They are needed more than ever since membership has been decreasing.

Besides the charitable work the Legion does, there is also a social aspect to being a member, he said.

The club offers a darts night on Tuesday, starting close to 6:30 p.m. On Fridays, the club hosts a social night, which includes its meat draw at 4:30 p.m. when people can play darts, shuffleboard or pool.

There are currently 395 members, which is down from 2010 when there were just shy of 500. Volunteers are always needed, he said. His only plea to the public is to just "get involved. Get involved."

## Sixteen collisions during last week in region

The Haliburton Highlands Ontario Provincial Police responded to 152 calls for service over the past week.

These investigations included five alarms, four animal complaints, four domestic disputes, three neighbour disputes, six noise complaints, three threats, one trespass to property act, 11 non-emergency 911 calls, 10 police assistance/information calls, six thefts/mischief, one fraud, 16 traffic complaints and other police related calls for service.

Four criminal charges were laid as a result of the threats and domestic assault investigations.

Officers also responded to 16 motor vehicle collisions where one involved in striking deer and one bear.

Officers conducted 10 RIDE programs in the area.

### Impaired drivers

on Aug. 31, shortly after 11 p.m., officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police to a single motor vehicle collision on County Road 503 in Highlands East.

Upon arrival officers observed a motor vehicle in the ditch. While speaking with the male driver, officers determined the driver had been consuming alcohol.

A 20-year-old man from Minden Hills was charged with driving while impaired and driving with more than 80 mgs of alcohol in his blood.

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Nov. 1. His driver's licence

was suspended for 90 days and the vehicle he was driving was impounded for seven days.

On Sept. 4, shortly before 9:30 p.m., officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police to a single motor vehicle collision on County Road 503 in Minden Hills.

Upon arrival officers observed a black SUV in the ditch. While speaking with the male driver, officers determined the driver had been consuming alcohol.

A 30-year-old Toronto man was charged with having "care and control" while impaired, failing to provide a breath sample, assault and possession of a schedule two substance, cannabis resin, under one gram.

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# Stimulating heritage knowledge

JOHN JAMIESON

*Special to the Echo*

When people new to the Haliburton area settle as permanent residents, they usually pick up and read a package of information about the area and services provided by the municipality. Although valuable, it does not touch heritage, other than mentioning a local museum.

Several years ago the Highland Grove Museum volunteers thought it might be nice to set up 200 questions about the area and use it to inform the public. The idea fermented for several years, and suddenly the bubble burst into a champagne idea: maybe have a contest for our Heritage Day on Sept. 16 in Highland Grove. The two books by Valerie Smith, Harcourt's *Sons and Daughters* and *History of Wilberforce Elementary School and Surrounding Communities* was

an excellent reference.

A contest? About Highland Grove and surrounding area. Talk about weird, eh. Maybe not. Perhaps there would be a \$100 prize. And consolation prizes of coffee mugs with images produced by the museum.

A seasonal teenage visitor, quite modern with tattoos and nose ring(s) was presented with the idea. No interest until the \$100 was mentioned. "Give me the questions and answers. I'll win the contest. Give me the sheets right now!"

Is it possible that a 19-year-old could acquire more specific knowledge about the Highland Grove area than a 75-year veteran of the area. Of course, the teenager could only know facts and not the fabric of the community, but still knowledge is knowledge and \$100 buys lots of social media data time.

Some of the questions are challenging: Where in Harcourt was the "hot pond"? When did electricity come to High-

land Grove? What year did the ghost town of Cheddar open a uranium mine? In what year was the general store in Highland Grove opened? The I.B.&O train connected with what train line in Haliburton? A Mr. J. Hoyle is listed as buried in block 52 of the Deer Lake Cemetery. But, in what country is he most likely buried? Wilberforce Cemetery has a columbarium. What is that? What was the original name of Wilberforce? Who was the first couple to marry in the Catholic church?

As lifelong residents of the Highland Grove area came into the library, they were asked some of these questions. Of course some could be answered correctly, but many were unknown.

Joanne Burroughs, our queen bee genealogist and historian rattles off answers before the questions are fin-

ished and she is not a contestant.

So what is heritage? Is it a 19-year-old teenager spitting out arcane facts about the area? Is it a 75-year-old resident trying to guess the last time the I. B. & O came into town? Is it three pages of 200 questions and answers in the museum? Perhaps it is a bit of many things. Perhaps it is just a day set aside every year for people to gather, socialize, listen to the outstanding music of the North Jam, look at donated books, buy some baked goods, have a hamburger, play some horseshoes and check the latest genealogy research.

But, in 2017 we'll all be looking for that 19-year-old smarty pants teenager. Who will be the smartest historian in our area?

*John Jamieson is president of the Highland Grove Heritage Society.*

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  - 8. Pouch
  - 11. Beef comes in these
  - 13. Chest muscle
  - 14. Maine city
  - 15. Salian
  - 16. Int'l fraternal organization
  - 17. Greek god of war
  - 18. Canadian harbour
  - 20. Firearm
  - 21. Deities
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  - 25. After the 16th
  - 30. Used in herbal medicine
  - 31. Whale (Norwegian)
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sues
  - 33. Insect appendages
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(abbr.)
  - 41. Small Arab monarchy
  - 43. Former U.S. President
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  - 47. Forms after a cut
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  - 55. Whale ship captain
  - 56. Small bed
  - 57. Supreme being
  - 59. NY Giants owner
  - 60. Consumed
  - 61. Jewish spiritual leader
  - 62. Promotional materials
  - 63. Business term
  - 64. Famous cartoonist

- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Former CIA

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- 4. Invests in little enterprises
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- 6. Incomes
- 7. Poisonous plant
- 8. Period in astronomy
- 9. Passed with flying colors
- 10. Professional certificate
- 12. Dublin college scholar
- 14. Heroic tale
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- 23. \_\_\_ student, learns healing
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- 44. Spoke
- 45. Volcanic craters
- 46. Swedish rock group
- 47. \_\_\_ Veda: liturgical chant
- 48. Former footballer Ochocinco
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Klu Klux \_\_\_
- 53. Italian Island
- 54. Catches
- 58. Baseball stat

Answers on page 18



**Local vendor gives to fire dept.**  
Steve Dunec, owner of the hot dog stand on Highland Street, gives a \$500 cheque to Mike Iles, fire chief of the Haliburton Fire Department. Iles said the money will go to fund non-essential equipment. The money was donated to acknowledge the important and valuable role the fire department plays in the community, Dunec said. He has given several times to the department over the years. /JENN WATT Staff

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# Highland Grove Heritage Day this Saturday

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Hilda Clark  
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The Municipality of Highlands East will host a celebration of Herlihey Park on Wednesday, Sept. 27. Members of the family of the late Harold and Beatrice Herlihey who have very generously provided the former veneer/lumber factory property for a park will be attending. All those interested are welcome at the celebration which will begin at 11 a.m. at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre. At a recent council meeting a report was tabled summarizing ideas for the new park that were put forth at a public meeting earlier this summer.

Joanne Burroughs called to remind us that the annual Highland Grove Heritage Day takes place this Saturday, Sept. 16. Join in this day of celebrating that area's history at the community centre and the delight-

ful restored Kidds' Corner School House. There are always fun and informative activities to enjoy with lively music. Plan to to have a burger or hot dog under the big tent and look for some home baking and flea market treasures. Hope they again will be doing the personalized mugs.-educational and fun.

Best wishes to Doug Stephen for a speedy recovery from recent surgery. Doug is well known as a curler a volunteer community driver and one who generously shares his amazing model railway train collection at various events. Always popular with all ages.

Doug would have been missed the the curling club's golf tournament played this year at the Haliburton Golf Club on Sept. 9th. This annual event ended with a social time and supper at the club. Another successful club fund raiser was the ATV Poker Run held mid August.

After spending many year in education it was a pleasant change for a group of retired educators to enjoy the first day of the new school year enjoying lunch with no bells calling them back to class. The Peppermill in Carnarvon was buzzing with friendly conversation over a delicious buffet luncheon. Thanks to leaders of the local branch of district 18 of Retired Teacher Of Ontario (RTO) for organizing this event.

May I add best wishes to Ruth Gorrie who is celebrating her 90th birthday this fall. Hope the local party at Zion United was great fun. Our paths crossed a number of years ago when Ruth and i served on the executive of RTO in this area. Ruth was a well respected leader in education and a force in women taking leadership positions in education. Hope Ruth also has a fun Hallowe'n since that is her special day.

Mauro Bertoli pianist performed a fine concert on the stage of the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton last Saturday evening. An appreciative audience heard selections played as the program stated with "formidable technique and exceptional sensitivity." Here was an artist who has performed in many parts of the world as a soloist and with world famous orchestras the featured artist at the second in the 2017 Haliburton Concert Series Mr. Bertoli has made Canada his home since March 2009 and resides in Ottawa.

His performances of a sonata and lyric pieces by Grieg had me travelling back in memory to a summer's travels in Norway on fiords hills and mountains near the composer's home. Bertoli's final piece by Chopin brought the audience to its feet in appreciation for a fine evening of music.

# Thanks for a great anniversary party

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Eleanor Cooper  
754-2278

On Sept. 2, Susan Norcross attended the wedding of her niece in Milton. Over this weekend her guest at home were her brother, Glendon and a friend Kevin of Ohio.

Our guest from Germany, Macke Herting, is with us for two weeks beginning on the day of our celebration when she arrived with the Alan Cooper of Orillia.

Thanks to Arlene Scheffee for the news of her and Marilyn Watson's mother, Marina Lynn's 95th birthday party at her home on the Kennisis Lake Road, celebrated with a group of 37 people who all gathered for this happy occasion.

Delane and Lyle Sawyer have journeyed recently to the Yukon for a break in routine.

Norman Wells is the present residence of Juanita (Sisson). Her brother, Paul is holidaying in Newfoundland as are several neighbours including Carol Stamp, Wanda Bain, Pat Bain and a cousin of Carol's.

So many people to thank for making our 60th wedding anniversary such a happy one! Flowers kept coming, the first from Susan Norcross in the form of corsage and boutonniere, then roses from Cheryl and Anne Cohoon, gladiolus bouquet of many colours from the Pattersons, a begonia from Leo Dabrze-

sky as well as a bouquet of wildflowers from Abbey Gardens staff and a huge arrangement of white small roses, lilies and carnations from our long time Scottish country dancing partner, Dorothy Robertson and her constant care giver, Colleen Pate. The tent was loaned from Bill Gliddon which contributed to the convenience of many of the 50 plus guests. Their presence was the best present they could give and my, what joy it gave us to have them all here! Weather co-operated and picture taking continued throughout. Musicians included Luba Carjill, Norris Turner, Beth Johns and a friend, Glenna (great on violin), and pipers Brian Sachs, our sons, George and Alan who played for the Scottish country dancers who danced a few measures for us in the lane. Music went on (after a supper of hamburgers and corn on the cob) with Kathleen at piano, George on mandolin and Alan on violin and most of us singing songs we've all sung at many a household gathering. Memories piled up with the cards received and appreciated so much. What blessings to enjoy for years to come. Thanks one and all.

Now down to earth with the Euchre Scores:

High: Pat Birmingham and Cliff Davison

Low: Bard Stead and Rod Smyth

Most Lone Hands: Shirley Johnston and Gerald Hadley

Specials: Pat Smyth and Gerald Hadley

Congratulations to Carleigh Taylor and Adam Sisson (son of Kevin and Bev Sisson) on their marriage on Sept. 2. The ceremony and reception was held at Shane and Linda Sisson's near the head of Pine Lake. Best wishes to the happy couple from friends and relatives in the community.



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## Linking of cross country ski trails proposed

### Provincial government asked to assist ambitious scheme to boost local tourist industry

The Ontario government will be asked to help fund a linked cross country ski trail system that could provide a major boost to winter tourism in Haliburton County. The system would join existing and planned trail developments in several townships, providing an opportunity for lodge to lodge skiing. As well, the proposed project may be expanded to include the creation of a 25 kilometre competitive course of world class standards which would provide an Olympic training facility and the possibility of attracting World Cup events to the county.

The ambitious proposal has been taking shape over the past few months, spearheaded by the Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trail Association, in co operation with the Ontario ski council.

Curtis Eastmure, owner of Maple Sands Resort in Stanhope Township and spokesman for the Nordic Trail Association, said officials of the

Ministry of Tourism and Recreation have been aware of the proposal for some time, and interest in the project has been growing. Eastmure, along with Art Ward of the Ontario Ski Council, were scheduled to meet with government officials on Tuesday, after which they expect to know if there is a possibility of government assistance for the work.

The proposal calls for the creation of up to 75 kilometres of track set, groomed trails to link trails already cut in the Lake Kashagawigamog area, Camp Wanakita, Lochlin, Stanhope and Minden Townships.

Haliburton County is ideally suited to a major cross country ski development, according to the Nordic Trail Association.

"The picturesque nature of such terrain coupled with the varied and sometimes difficult nature of the trail can provide the cross country skier at the recreation level and the

competitive level with a uniqueness not found in existing developed areas of the province", according to the proposal document. Other advantages Haliburton can offer are the availability of land, and "strong local and regional support" for the concept of improved cross country ski facilities.

The development proposed by the Nordic Trail Association would "enhance tourism" in the county, and create a number of short term and long term employment opportunities, according to Eastmure.

Total estimated cost of the project is \$263,000. The estimate includes \$60,000 for program management

and trail design fees, \$110,000 for machinery and trail grooming equipment (some of the machine work could be donated by the municipalities involved), \$40,000 for labour, \$15,000 for trail signage, \$5000 for office rental (with donated space a possibility), \$3000 for vehicle leasing, \$25,000 for plan-

ning promotions and communications, and \$5000 for miscellaneous expenses.

The cost is relatively modest in comparison to the significance of the project to the tourist industry, Eastmure noted. If provincial officials approve the concept and are willing to support it financially, cost sharing arrangements are expected to be worked out between the province, local governments and the private sector.

Work on the project could start as early as June, while September is the latest work could start if trails are to be ready for next winter, Eastmure noted.

More information on how Ministry of Tourism and Recreation officials reacted to the proposal when it was presented Tuesday, should be available next week.

## Penny parking gone as Dysart ups meter rates

The days of parking for a penny are about to come to an end in Haliburton. In recent years Haliburton has been one of the last places in Ontario where you could still put a penny in a parking meter and make its clock move. But within the next few weeks, meters will be altered so that pennies will be rejected. It will cost 10 cents for 30 minutes on the meter, and 20 cents for an hour. The meters also will accept a quarter for one hour of parking as a convenience to shoppers who may not have dimes to use in the machines.

Along with the higher prices, the municipality will crack down on parking offences, in a bid to make short term parking space available to people who come to town to shop

and carry out other business.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said local merchants who attended a recent meeting to discuss plans for Station Street improvements, were concerned about the main street parking problem. Fearrey said many of the available spaces on the main street are being taken up all day long by store operators and their employees. Increasing the meter charges and enforcing regulations should encourage persistent offenders to park off the main street.

Municipal law enforcement officer Bob English "is going to enforce the by-law regularly and try to get the offenders to do a little bit of walking," the reeve told council on Monday.

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Cliff Newbatt of Haliburton was undergoing some physiotherapy at Haliburton hospital when Darlene Fearrey pinned a daffodil on him during the annual Daffodil Day in Haliburton last Friday. More than

4500 flowers were distributed courtesy of local businesses, to mark the fund raising drive of the Canadian Cancer Society.

## Dysart to get plan for Station Street

Preliminary engineering plans will be drawn up for proposed changes to Station Street in Haliburton, Dysart et al council has decided. At a meeting Monday, councillors agreed to ask Paul Wilson of Bishop and Wilson, Haliburton, to put together a series of conceptual drawings to accompany council's request for provincial funding.

Reeve Murray Fearrey told council he had met with merchants whose property abuts the street, and that the owners are supportive of proposed improvements.

While council has not made a firm commitment on the project, it hopes to excavate part of the embankment on the south side of the street, stabilize it with retaining walls or gabion baskets, and provide angle parking spaces. As well as improving the general appearance of the street, the work would afford property owners a chance to create better access to the back of their stores for receiving goods. As part of the project, a new walkway between the main street and Station Street also is likely to be created.

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## Watch plan is working

### Minden residents report 'suspicious' characters

By PC GARY CHAPMAN

The Neighbourhood Watch program in Haliburton and Minden villages is progressing as planned. Mark Schell, chairman of the Haliburton program, and Gord Monk, the Minden chairman, are both confident the appropriate signs will be in place throughout the villages before the arrival of the summer visitors. All homes should be provided with the Neighbourhood Watch stickers by then as well.

Each community has been divided into zones with a leader in each. These Zone Leaders have subdivided their zones into smaller areas with a Block Captain in each. All participants are working together to complete a master map of each village. Each residence and business premises will be identified with a number. A copy of these maps will be posted at the Minden OPP

Detachment and any resident requiring police assistance will be able to provide their precise location, for example, "I'm Neighbourhood Watch Zone 3, Number 17." This will enable an officer to know exactly which residence to respond to. Other emergency services will be provided with maps as well.

One indication the program is working was provided by the Minden Division of the Ministry of Natural Resources. They recently conducted a training exercise in Minden Village whereby Conservation Officers took up night time surveillance in an effort to gain evidence on a make-believe poacher. The officers were reported to the OPP detachment four times by suspicious residents. In past years, no one has ever reported anyone taking part in these MNR training exercises.

## Renovations planned for Dysart arena

### Recreation committee plans substantial changes to create bigger lobby

Players and fans will find an improved Dysart et al community centre when the hockey and skating season resumes next fall. The community's recreation committee has drafted plans for interior changes that will provide more dressing room space for players, better washrooms, and a larger lobby area. As well, the roof of the structure will be repaired.

Committee chairman Brian Black said the alterations will take into account suggestions from players and fans. Included in a proposal brought to council on Monday are plans to remove and relocate the existing men's washroom so that access to it will be gained from the lobby. The two dressing rooms on

the north side of the building off the entrance hall will be enlarged by removing toilets and showers and building a combined washroom facility to serve both rooms. Players will have access to the ice without going through the lobby, Black said.

The room used by the Haliburton Huskies on the west side of the building will be removed, as will the ladies' washroom, to create a larger lobby. A new ladies' washroom will be constructed and will have access from the lobby.

The dressing room under the stands will become a hallway to provide access to two new dressing rooms that will be built projecting out from the building into the space

between the arena and the curling club. Part of the old dressing room will be converted into a referees room, with a shower and toilet.

Other changes planned include the installation of new flooring in the enlarged lobby, and new flooring for the dressing rooms. Since all dressing rooms will provide direct access to the ice surface, skates will be banned from the lobby once the renovations are completed, Black said.

The committee also wants to remove the existing oil furnace and install electric heaters for the lobby and dressing room areas. These would enable heat to be more carefully controlled, and should

result in energy savings in the long term, the recreation committee chairman noted.

While exact costs will not be known until tenders have been received, Black said the committee hopes the work can be done within the \$62,000 available for it.

Funds for the work will come from the Ontario Neighbourhood Improvement program currently in place in the municipality. Under this agreement, council and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing share the costs of approved projects equally. Dysart is entering the second year of a three year ONIP agreement.

Council agreed that tenders should be sought.



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## 650 OBITUARIES

**BERNICE NORMA TAYLOR**  
*Passed away at Kingston General Hospital on September 1, 2017 at the age of 69 following a lengthy illness.*

Bernice (Morrison) Taylor, beloved wife of Colin, loving sister of Elwood & Janet Morrison and Evelyn Stevenson all of West Guilford. Bernice was an employee of General Electric for over 42 years and has resided in Boulter following retirement. She will be deeply missed by her beloved pets, Whisper and Storm. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Baragar Funeral Home. At Bernice's request, there will be no funeral service. Cremation has taken place at Elmwood Crematorium in Corbyville.

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## 650 OBITUARIES



**In Loving Memory of**  
**Donald "Don" John Crowe**  
*Passed away suddenly but peacefully at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Wednesday, September 6, 2017, at the age of 77.*

Beloved husband of the late Opal. Dear father of Steven (Sharon), Terry (Heather), Darryl (Gail), Robert (Sue) and Craig (Stephanie). Loving grandpa of Abby (Judd), J.D. (Abby), Kelsey, Sterling, Alyssa (Navid), Courtney, Nathan, Emma, Colin, Jamie and great grandpa of Hudson, Isla and Arianna. Dear brother of Nancy (Eric), Barry (Grace), Jeff (Ann), Mary Jane, predeceased by Monty (Nancy) and by his parents Jack and Ila. Fondly remembered by Lady and by his many nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Road, P.O. Box 427, Minden, K0M 2K0 on Friday, September 22, 2017 from 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm. A Service to Celebrate Don's Life will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 11:00 am. Reception to follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 636, Minden. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family.

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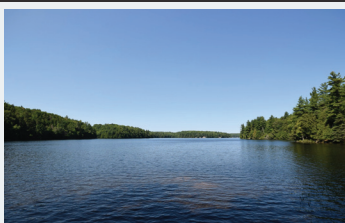


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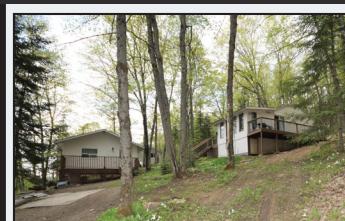
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